## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

## SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENT #SP-081-PHS-EMS

Interpretation of NREMT Registration Requirements in A.A.C. R9-25-404(B)(1)(b) and (B)(2)(b) and R9-25-406(B)(1)(b) and (B)(2)(b)

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The purpose of this substantive policy statement is to notify the public how the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) interprets the requirements for National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) registration in A.A.C. R9-25-404(B)(1)(b) and (B)(2)(b) and R9-25-406(B)(1)(b) and (B)(2)(b).

For EMT-B certification and recertification, A.A.C. R9-25-404(B)(1)(b) requires and R9-25-406(B)(1)(b) allows, as one option for satisfying eligibility, an applicant to submit "[e]vidence of current NREMT-Basic registration." ADHS interprets these provisions to allow an applicant to submit evidence of current NREMT-Basic or higher level NREMT registration.

For EMT-I certification and recertification, A.A.C. R9-25-404(B)(2)(b) requires and R9-25-406(B)(2)(b) allows, as one option for satisfying eligibility, an applicant to submit "[e]vidence of current NREMT-Intermediate registration." ADHS interprets these provisions to allow an applicant to submit evidence of current NREMT-Intermediate/99 or higher level NREMT registration. ("NREMT-Intermediate registration" is defined in A.A.C. R9-25-412(B) to mean "EMT-Intermediate/99 registration granted by NREMT.")

ADHS believes that interpreting these provisions as establishing minimum NREMT registration requirements provides necessary flexibility while still protecting the public health and safety.

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